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REPORT DIGEST

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DIXON CORRECTIONAL CENTER COMPLIANCE AUDIT FOR THE TWO YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 1994

# **SYNOPSIS**

• In 19 of 57 expenditures tested, inmate and employee benefit fund expenditures were not supported by evidence of approval by the appropriate committee.

# ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS DIXON CORRECTIONAL CENTER COMPLIANCE AUDIT

For The Year Ended June 30, 1994

| EXPENDITURE STATISTICS  | FY 1994                                  | FY 1993                                  | FY 1992                                  |
|---|--|--|--|
| Total Expenditures (All Funds)  | \$28,028,074                             | \$26,590,607                             | \$25,010,283                             |
| Personal Services  % of Total Expenditures  Average No. of Employees  Average Salary Per Employee | \$17,742,655<br>63.3%<br>547<br>\$32,436 | \$16,394,512<br>61.7%<br>533<br>\$30,759 | \$15,558,614<br>62.2%<br>521<br>\$29,863 |
| Inmate Compensation (If Applicable)   | \$433,830                                | \$405,908                                | \$379,775                                |
| Other Payroll Costs (FICA, Retirement)  | \$1,992,396<br>7.1%                      | \$1,858,457<br>7.0%                      | \$1,740,856<br>7.0%                      |
| Contractual Services  | \$4,817,853<br>17.2%                     | \$4,784,892<br>18.0%                     | \$4,277,908<br>17.1%                     |
| All Other Items   | \$3,041,340<br>10.8%                     |  | \$3,053,130<br>12.2%                     |
| Cost of Property and Equipment  | \$72,587,657                             | \$69,032,194                             | \$65,761,024                             |

| SELECTED ACTIVITY MEASURES 1              | FY 1994  | FY 1993  | FY 1992  |
|---|----------|----------|----------|
| Average Number of Inmates                 | 1,799    | 1,774    | 1,692    |
| Ratio of Correctional Officers to Inmates | .230     | .236     | .234     |
| Cost Per Year Per Inmate                  | \$15,580 | \$14,989 | \$14,781 |
| Rated Inmate Capacity                     | 1,206    | 1,206    | 1,206    |
| Approximate Square Feet Per Inmate        | 45       | 45       | 45       |

# CENTER WARDEN(S)

During Audit Period: Odie Washington (until January 16, 1995)

Currently: Keith Nelson

### INTRODUCTION

We conducted a compliance audit of the Center as required by the Illinois State Auditing Act. We also performed certain agreed upon procedures with respect to the accounting records of the Center to assist our single audit of the entire Department. Financial statements for the Department will be presented in that report.

#### FINDINGS, CONCLUSIONS, AND RECOMMENDATIONS

There was only one material finding of noncompliance disclosed during our audit tests. That finding is described below.

# LACK OF APPROVAL OF BENEFIT FUND EXPENDITURES

Our testing of inmate and employee benefit fund expenditures revealed that 19 of 57 (33 percent) were not supported by evidence of approval by the appropriate committee prior to disbursement of funds. Department of Corrections' directives require written benefit fund committee approval of all disbursements prior to disbursement. (Finding 1, page 9)

We recommended the Center comply with the procedures by documenting the approval by the appropriate committee. The Center responded that it had implemented our recommendation and is currently following Department directives.

WILLIAM G. HOLLAND, Auditor General

WGH:JTD:jr April 25, 1995

# **SUMMARY OF AUDIT FINDINGS**

| Number of                       | This Audit | Prior Audit |
|---------------------------------|------------|-------------|
| Audit Findings                  | 1          | 3           |
| Repeated Recommendations        | 0          | 0           |
| Recommendations Not Repeated or |            |             |
| Implemented                     | 3          | 5           |

#### SPECIAL ASSISTANT AUDITORS

Our special assistant auditors were Martin and Shadid, Certified Public Accountants, P.C.